NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

and

NOTICE OF FILING A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT Concerning the Proposed

Basin Plan Amendment for the Control of Diazinon and Chlorpyrifos Runoff into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan to control diazinon and chlorpyrifos discharges and pesticide runoff into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. As part of amending the Basin Plan, the Central Valley Water Board will consider certification of the draft environmental documents (included in the draft Staff Report) prepared pursuant to State law. This proposed Basin Plan Amendment includes:

- Diazinon and chlorpyrifos water quality objectives for Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Waterways
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for diazinon and chlorpyrifos
- An implementation program and a compliance schedule
- A conditional prohibition of discharge of diazinon and chlorpyrifos
- Policies and monitoring programs that address alternative pesticides to diazinon and chlorpyrifos

After hearing testimony, the Central Valley Water Board may choose to act on the proposal, or may choose to close the hearing and vote on the proposal at the next meeting, tentatively scheduled for August 3rd and 4th, 2006. The public hearing is scheduled at the time and location noted below:

DATE: June 22 or 23 TIME: To be determined

LOCATION: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

Further information about the date, time, and location will be available approximately two weeks before the hearing at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings

The Draft Staff Report is available for downloading at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/programs/tmdl/DeltaOP/index.html.

Copies of these documents may also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Written comments on this Staff Report and the proposed Basin Plan Amendment should be submitted by June 7, 2006. Written comments should be sent to:

Danny McClure, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114.

At the hearing, staff will respond to comments and present a final recommendation for Central Valley Water Board consideration. Interested persons will be provided the opportunity to present oral comments at the hearing, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony may be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Direct questions regarding the proposed amendments to Danny McClure at dmcclure@waterboards.ca.gov or at (916) 464-4751. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by:

Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer April 26, 2006